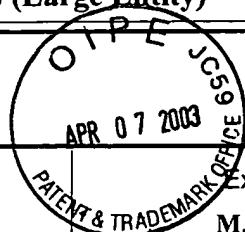


**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
**PC10856A (15854)**

**In Re Application Of: Juan C. Colberg, et al.**



Serial No.  
**10/006,579**

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**December 4, 2001**

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**Group Art Unit  
1624**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of October 1, 2002 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

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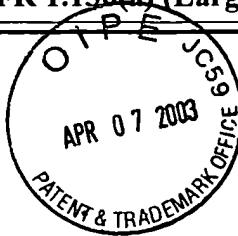
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**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

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TOTAL CLAIMS	39 -	39 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6 -	6 =	0	x \$84.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$930.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$930.00

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A check in the amount of \$930.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$930.00  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1013  
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 Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.  
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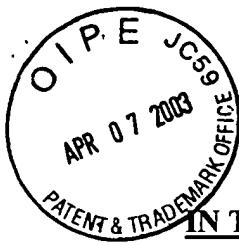
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2002, kindly enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:Please amend claim 1 as follows:*β 1*

Claim 1 (Amended): A process for preparing a compound of formula (I):

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